



# Emma S. Clark Memorial Library

"The Heart of the Three Village Community"

## January/February 2025 Newsletter

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**LIBRARY HOURS**  
 Mon.–Fri.: 9:30 a.m.–9 p.m.  
 Sat.: 9 a.m.–5 p.m.  
 Sun.: 10 a.m.–5 p.m.

**LEVEL UP KITCHEN CAFÉ HOURS**  
 Mon.–Fri.: 10:30 a.m.–7 p.m.  
 Sat.: 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m.  
 Sun.: 10 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

Library closed on:  
 Christmas Day, Dec. 25  
 New Year's Day, Jan. 1, 2025  
 Martin Luther King Jr. Day,  
 Jan. 20, 2025  
 Presidents' Day, Feb. 17, 2025  
 The Library will close at 3 p.m.  
 on Dec. 15, 24 & Dec. 31

Online: [emmaclark.org](http://emmaclark.org)  
 Email: [askus@emmaclark.org](mailto:askus@emmaclark.org)



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 Meeting Schedule  
 Wednesdays, Jan. 15 & Feb. 19  
 All meetings begin at 7:00 p.m.

*Pictures/Videos taken at or for Library events or activities may be posted online, printed in our newsletter and other print media or displayed in-house. If you do not want yourself and/or your minor child photographed, please notify the librarian/photographer at the time of the event.*



Soaps  
 Salads  
 Sandwiches  
 Wraps  
 Pastries  
 Ice Cream  
 Coffee  
 Tea & More

— Open Daily —  
 Thank you for supporting local business!

For the latest menu, go to [emmaclark.org/Cafe](http://emmaclark.org/Cafe) or scan the QR code.



### DRIVES FOR CHARITY

donations

#### Share the Warmth Drive

Now through Jan. 12

We are collecting **new or hand-made** mittens, scarves, hats, gloves or socks for local charities. Please drop off donations in the "Share the Warmth" box in the lobby.

All sizes are welcome.



#### LITTLE VALENTINES!

Baby Supply Drive  
 Sat., Feb. 1 – Sun., Feb. 23

We will be collecting **new store-bought and handmade** baby clothes, as well as diapers, wipes, pacifiers, toys & other baby-related items for local organizations that help babies (and their families) in need. Please drop off donations in the "Little Valentines" box in the lobby.



Grades 7-12



### Helen Stein Shack Picture Book Contest

See page 8 for more info.



### ATTENTION LOCAL BUSINESSES & ORGANIZATIONS...


Support the **Kids & Teen Summer Reading!**

See page 2 for more details.

### BetterWorldBooks

## ALWAYS OPEN

Book donations bin located in the far left-hand corner of the Library parking lot.




### PRESCHOOL FAIR

Find the perfect fit for your child!

See page 9 for details.

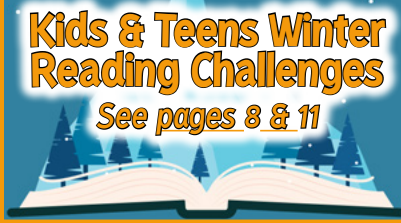
### Social Work Student Interns

will answer your questions – 3 days a week at the Library.

Social work student interns from SBU's School of Social Welfare are at the Library to answer questions, provide referrals & help with applications. Evening & weekend availability.

Visit [emmaclark.org/SocialWorker](http://emmaclark.org/SocialWorker) for more information.

Interns not available during winter break 12/16/24–1/4/25



### Kids & Teens Winter Reading Challenges


See pages 8 & 11



### CHANGE IN HOURS ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15

In order to accommodate the Electric Holiday Parade, which will assemble in front of the Library, Emma Clark will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Sun., Dec. 15.









## Attention Local Businesses & Organizations


If you have a local business and would like to support the *Kids & Teen Summer Reading*, please consider donating a gift card for our raffle prizes! Your donation supports our young patrons with an extra incentive for their reading endeavors. In addition, your company name would be listed in our Library newsletter (which is distributed to all households in Three Village), on a banner in the Library throughout the summer, and on the Library's social media pages (Facebook & Instagram) in recognition of your contribution. If you give a gift worth over \$50, you will also receive an official 2025 Summer Reading Supporter certificate that you may hang in your establishment.


Please keep in mind the following:

-  This is for Kids and Teens, so any gift card donations should be appropriate and desirable for that age group.
-  Gift cards, gift certificates, or checks only please.
-  To have your name included in the May/June newsletter, please send in your donation by March 1.
-  Please mail any gift card donations (along with your name and address for recognition and accounting purposes) to:

Emma Clark Library  
120 Main Street, Setauket, NY 11733  
Attention: Lisa DeVerna

## BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROGRAMS

 **From the Pen of a Formerly Enslaved Man**  
Mon., Feb. 3, 7:00–8:00 p.m.

 **Louis Armstrong: King of Queens**  
Thu., Feb. 27, 7:00–8:00 p.m.

*See pages 4 & 5 for details!*



## Writing Programs

**Travel Memoir Writing**  
Sat., Jan. 25, 10:30 a.m.–Noon

**Writers' Bloc**  
Sat., Jan. 25 AND/OR Feb. 22, 12:30–2:00 p.m.

**How to Turn Everyday Life Into Great Fiction**  
Sat., Feb. 22, 10:30 a.m.–Noon

*See pages 4 & 5 for details!*





## A Visit with Louisa May Alcott

A Living History Experience  
for Adults & Teens

Fri., Jan. 31  
7:00–8:00 p.m.

*See page 4 for details.*



## Classics in Our Historic Library

**Tue., Feb. 25, 7:00–8:30 p.m.**

Come join us for an intimate discussion of *Persuasion* by Jane Austen, led by Librarian Emma Yohannan in the historic 1892 section of the Library. Register at [emmaclark.org/programs](http://emmaclark.org/programs) starting Mon., Jan. 6 @ 9:30 a.m.



## Weekend Concerts

HOMEGROWN  
STRING BAND  
Sun., Jan. 12 • 2:00–3:30 p.m.

HARBORMEN CHORUS –  
*The Book of Love:  
From Love at First Sight to  
That Long Lonely Night*  
Sat., Feb. 8 • 2:00–3:00 p.m.

*See pages 3 & 4 for details!*



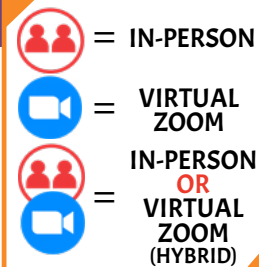
# ADULTS

Registration with a valid Emma Clark Library card is required except where otherwise noted. Simply register at [emmaclark.org/programs](http://emmaclark.org/programs).

Registration for ONLINE CLASSES is ONGOING.

**LATE ARRIVAL GUIDELINES:** Out of respect for others & to minimize disruption, please arrive on time. Patrons arriving more than 10 minutes late may be admitted, but only at the discretion of Library staff.

**January** Registration for IN-PERSON CLASSES begins Mon., Dec. 16, at 9:30 a.m.



**Knit, Crochet & Chat** – Fri., Jan. 3 AND/OR Fri., Feb. 7, 2:00–4:00 p.m. Work on your current knitting or crochet project. No registration necessary. No instruction provided. Please bring your own supplies. Questions? Contact [eyohannan@emmaclark.org](mailto:eyohannan@emmaclark.org).

**PC Clean Up** – Mon., Jan. 6, 6:30–8:30 p.m. See page 6.

**Self-Care Wellness Workshop** – Mon., Jan. 6, 13 & 27, 7:00–8:00 p.m. Join health coach Amy Morton for a 3-part workshop to create your personalized self-care program, covering exercise, nutrition, stretching, meditation & more.

**Cricut: Tote Bag** – Tue., Jan. 7, 2:30–4:30 p.m. See page 6.

**Mah Jongg for Beginners** – Thu., Jan. 9, 16, 23 & 30, 2:00–4:30 p.m. Join Ines Hastings in this beginner-friendly class. You will need to purchase the 2024 National Mah Jongg League large print playing card (\$15). Order ahead from the official website ([nationalmahjonggleague.org](http://nationalmahjonggleague.org)) & bring to class on the first day. It is important that you attend the first class as the foundations of the game are explained.

**Book Discussion**  
We meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month • 7:30–8:45 p.m.  
Copies of the book are available to borrow at the Circulation Desk.  
**No registration required.**

**The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store**  
James McBride  
Wed., Jan. 8  
Book pickup starts 12/11

**The Yellow House**  
Sarah Broom  
Wed., Feb. 12  
Book pickup starts 1/8

**Browser Bookmarks: Getting the Most Out of Your Web Browser** – Thu., Jan. 9, 6:30–8:30 p.m. See page 6.

**Cover Stories: The Art of the Album Cover** – Thu., Jan. 9, 7:00–8:00 p.m. Clive Young will explore the crossroads of music, art & commerce as we discover the wild stories behind your favorite album art designed for The Beatles, Pink Floyd & others.

**New Year Book Buzz** – Fri., Jan. 10, 2:30–3:30 p.m. Enjoy a snack & share the books you loved in 2024 & the new releases you are awaiting in 2025. Before you go, Librarian Emma Yohannan will tell you about some great new titles coming out this year.

**Sunday Concert: Homegrown String Band** – Sun., Jan. 12, 2:00–3:30 p.m. A family band with a unique repertoire of original and traditional music, the Homegrown String Band brings an American folk tradition into the twenty-first century.

**PC Clean Up** – Tue., Jan. 14, 10:00 a.m.–Noon. See page 6.

**Simply Strong for Life** – Tue., Jan. 14, 21 & 28, 2:30–3:30 p.m. Join us for this fitness class where we will focus on increasing muscle strength, improving range of motion & light stretching. This can all be done while standing or sitting. Please bring 2-5 lb. weights to each class. Taught by Joyce McCormack. Offered simultaneously in person and virtually via Zoom, your choice! Registration for in-person class starts Mon., Dec. 16, at 9:30 a.m. Registration for the Zoom class is ongoing.

**Robert Caro's The Power Broker at 50** – Tue., Jan. 14, 7:00–8:00 p.m. Join the New-York Historical Society for this virtual presentation celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of *The Power Broker*.

**Lucy Without Desi** – Wed., Jan. 15, 12:30–1:30 p.m. Join us as we explore the final chapter in the illustrious career of America's favorite redhead with pop culture historian Sal St. George.

**Catholic Health Mobile Outreach Bus [Library Parking Lot]** – Thu., Jan. 16, 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Registered nurses will provide blood pressure, cholesterol, body mass index, glucose & cardiac screenings, along with patient education & referrals as needed. Free flu vaccinations will be offered by a registered nurse. The last screening will begin at 1:45 p.m. No appointments are necessary, there are no fees & insurance is not required.

**Cricut: Kitchen Tea Towel** – Thu., Jan. 16, 6:00–8:00 p.m. See page 6.

**Tick-Borne Disease Awareness [For both Teens & Adults]** – Thu., Jan. 16, 6:00–7:00 p.m. Join Brookhaven Environmental Educator Nicole Pocchaire to learn how to identify ticks & properly protect yourself from them. Register starting Dec. 10

**Friday Matinee: Selma (2014)** – Fri., Jan. 17, 2:00 p.m. [Starring David Oyelowo] PG-13 (128 min.) No registration required.

**Relax & Paint: New Year Lamppost** – Fri., Jan. 17, 7:00–8:00 p.m. Led by art instructor Riesa (*Key to My Art*). Supply list emailed.

**Organic Gardening** – Tue., Jan. 21, 7:00–8:00 p.m. Dreaming of warm-weather gardening this winter? Join Reference Librarian & organic grower Regina Dlugokencky to learn the basics of organic gardening & how it can yield fresh, nutrient-dense vegetables, save money & promote a holistic approach to your landscape.

**The Uffizi Gallery: A Virtual Tour** – Wed., Jan. 22, 7:00–8:00 p.m. Join museum educator Marisa Horowitz-Jaffe as she explores one of the most prominent Italian museums and its priceless collection from the Renaissance and Ancient Rome.












**Start Your Own YouTube Channel & Monetize It** – Thu., Jan. 23, 6:30–8:00 p.m. See page 6.

**John le Carré: Novelist and Spy** – Thu., Jan. 23, 7:00–8:30 p.m. Stony Brook distinguished service professor emeritus Les Paldy will discuss the universally admired writer of morally ambiguous espionage novels, John le Carré.



# ADULTS *Continued...*

## January Continued Registration for IN-PERSON CLASSES begins Mon., Dec. 16, at 9:30 a.m.





-  **Diamond Art: Coasters** – Fri., Jan. 24, 2:00–4:00 p.m. Create a mandala coaster using tiny diamond-like facets. It is recommended, but not required, that you bring a magnifying glass & tweezers. *All supplies provided.*
-  **Travel Memoir Writing** – Sat., Jan. 25, 10:30 a.m.–Noon Join award-nominated journalist Erin Coughlin for inspiring writing prompts and exercises to kickstart or enhance your travel memoir or blog. Beginners welcome!
-  **Writers' Bloc** – Sat., Jan. 25 AND/OR Feb. 22, 12:30–2:00 p.m. Share your writing & receive friendly & supportive feedback. *No registration required.*
-  **Digital Dust: Protecting Your Privacy Online** – Mon., Jan. 27, 7:00–9:00 p.m. See [page 6](#).
-  **Indian Cooking with Rashmi: Masala Chai & Samosas** – Tue., Jan. 28, 6:30–8:00 p.m. Join Chef Rashmi for a cooking demo on making samosas—traditional Indian pastries. Enjoy a cup of spiced chai as you learn! *Recipes provided. [This program is made possible by the Philip Groia Global Studies bequest.]* 
-  **Introduction to Canva** – Tue., Jan. 28, 6:30–8:00 p.m. See [page 6](#).
-  **Quill a Winter Cardinal** – Wed., Jan. 29, 2:00–4:00 p.m. OR 6:00–8:00 p.m. Using quilling paper & special quilling tools, join artist/art educator Bonnie Schwartz to learn how to quill a lovely red winter cardinal, resting on a branch. *All supplies provided.*
-  **Cricut: T-Shirt** – Thu., Jan. 30, 6:00–8:00 p.m. See [page 6](#).
-  **Classic Movie Fun: *Double Indemnity*** – Fri., Jan. 31, 2:00 p.m. [Starring Barbara Stanwyck] Classic movie fans, join Librarian Jeff Walden for an afternoon of film from Hollywood's golden age, complete with fun facts & a post-film discussion. PG (104 min.)
-  **A Visit with Louisa May Alcott [For both Teens & Adults]** – Fri., Jan. 31, 7:00–8:00 p.m. Join Jan Turnquist, Executive Director of Orchard House, for an engaging living history experience about *Little Women* author Louisa May Alcott. For more on Alcott and her home, Orchard House, visit [louisamayalcott.org](http://louisamayalcott.org).

## February Registration for IN-PERSON CLASSES begins Mon., Jan. 6, at 9:30 a.m.

-  **From the Pen of a Formerly Enslaved Man** – Mon., Feb. 3, 7:00–8:00 p.m. In 1819, Cato Crook, a Bridgehampton resident, wrote to landowner Elias Smith to protest the mistreatment of his niece & request her freedom. Join Historian Julie Greene to learn about the Crook family and explore documents revealing the complex history of slavery & servitude on Long Island.
-  **Cricut: Kitchen Tea Towel** – Tue., Feb. 4, 2:30–4:30 p.m. See [page 6](#).
-  **Winter Backyard Birds** – Tue., Feb. 4, 6:30–7:30 p.m. Join a Quogue Wildlife Refuge educator to learn about common backyard birds, how to attract them with specific seeds & tips for responsible feeding.
-  **Scarf Making** – Wed., Feb. 5, 12:30–1:45 p.m. Let's warm up by creating a scarf with fringes & beads. Step-by-step instructions, beginner friendly. Taught by Jacqueline Parente. *All supplies provided.*
-  **Zion National Park: Chat with a Ranger** – Wed., Feb. 5, 7:00–8:00 p.m. Join an NPS Ranger for a virtual tour of Zion National Park, showcasing Utah's stunning pink & red sandstone cliffs, narrow canyons & diverse wildlife across four life zones.
-  **Chair Yoga** – Thu., Feb. 6, 13, & 20, 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Taught by Jackie Incorvia. *Offered simultaneously in person and virtually via Zoom, your choice! Registration for in-person class starts Mon., Jan. 6, at 9:30 a.m. Reg. for the Zoom class is ongoing.*
-  **Streaming 101: Cutting the Cord** – Thu., Feb. 6, 6:30–8:30 p.m. See [page 6](#).
-  **Knit, Crochet & Chat** – Fri., Feb. 7, 2:00–4:00 p.m. Work on your current knitting or crochet project. *No registration necessary. No instruction provided. Please bring your own supplies. Questions? Contact [eyohannan@emmaclark.org](mailto:eyohannan@emmaclark.org).*
-  **Relax & Paint: *Rustic Love Jars*** – Fri., Feb. 7, 7:00–8:30 p.m. Led by art instructor Teresa Grant. *Supply list & tracer emailed.*
-  **Saturday Concert: Harbormen Chorus – *The Book of Love: From Love at First Sight to That Long Lonely Night*** – Sat., Feb. 8, 2:00–3:00 p.m. Join the Harbormen Chorus for an afternoon of classic songs about love—from first sight to heartbreak.
-  **Intro to Google Apps & Drive for Your Computer** – Mon., Feb. 10, 6:30–8:00 p.m. See [page 6](#).
-  **Identifying & Preventing Diabetes** – Tue., Feb. 11, 2:30–3:30 p.m. Concerned about prediabetes or diabetes risk? Join a Cornell Cooperative Extension educator for an in-depth look at risk factors & lifestyle changes to help reduce future diabetes risk.
-  **The History of Love Songs** – Tue., Feb. 11, 7:00–8:00 p.m. Love songs are everywhere in pop culture—from Sinatra to Bieber, Midler to Swift. Join musician Daniel Lupo to explore the origins of famous love songs & enjoy a performance of some of the best.
-  **Paint at the Library: *A Winter Trail*** – Wed., Feb. 12, 2:00–4:00 p.m. OR Mon., Feb. 24, 6:00–8:00 p.m. Led by art instructor Patty Yantz. *Supply list emailed.*
-  **Cricut: Coffee Mug** – Thu., Feb. 13, 6:00–8:00 p.m. See [page 6](#).
-  **The Magic of Compost** – Thu., Feb. 13, 7:00–8:00 p.m. Composting improves soil & cuts landfill waste! Join a Cornell Cooperative Extension educator to learn four composting methods, including indoor/outdoor, aerobic/anaerobic, worm & lasagna techniques.
-  **Valentine's Day Diamond Art Bookmarks** – Fri., Feb. 14, 2:00–4:00 p.m. Make a heart-shaped bookmark with a mandala design using tiny diamond-like facets. A magnifying glass and tweezers are recommended. *All supplies provided.*
-  **Cricut: Gift Tags** – Tue., Feb. 18, 2:30–4:30 p.m. See [page 6](#).

# ADULTS Continued...

**February Continued** Registration for IN-PERSON CLASSES begins Mon., Jan. 6, at 9:30 a.m.

-  **Medical ID Cards** – Wed., Feb. 19, 11:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m. The Suffolk County Sheriff's Office Medical ID Cards program provides free ID cards for seniors and those 18+ with medical needs. Stop by the Periodical Room (1892 Library) with your list of medications, conditions & doctor's contact details. *No registration required.*
-  **Wednesday Film at Noon: *Jerry & Marge Go Large*** – Wed., Feb. 19, Noon–2:00 p.m. [Bryan Cranston & Annette Bening] PG-13 (96 min.) *No registration required.*
-  **Abraham Lincoln Home Virtual Tour** – Thu., Feb. 20, 7:00–8:00 p.m. Join a park ranger for a virtual tour of the Lincoln Home in Springfield, Illinois.
-  **Friday Matinee: *It Ends with Us (2024)*** – Fri., Feb. 21, 2:00 p.m. [Starring Blake Lively & Justin Baldoni] PG-13 (130 min.) *No registration required.*
-  **How to Turn Everyday Life into Great Fiction** – Sat., Feb. 22, 10:30 a.m.–Noon Award-nominated journalist Erin Coughlin will guide you through inspiring writing exercises to help you connect with your readers or audience. All writers are welcome!
-  **Writers' Bloc** – Sat., Feb. 22, 12:30–2:00 p.m. Share your writing & receive friendly & supportive feedback. *No registration required.*
-  **Introduction to Microsoft Excel** – Mon., Tue. & Thu., Feb. 24, 25 & 27, 10:00 a.m.–Noon See [page 6](#).
-  **Communicating Effectively with Persons Living with Dementia** – Mon., Feb. 24, 2:00–3:00 p.m. Learn how dementia affects communication, including tips for communicating well with family, friends & health care professionals. Led by an educator from the Alzheimer's Association, Long Island Chapter.
-  **Classics in Our Historic Library** – Tue., Feb. 25, 7:00–8:30 p.m. Join us for an intimate discussion of *Persuasion* by Jane Austen, led by Librarian Emma Yohannan in the 1892 section of the Library. Read your own copy or ask a Librarian for help borrowing one.
-  **Hands-On Cooking Class: Irish Soda Bread with Chef Rob** – Wed., Feb. 26, 6:30–7:30 p.m. Make a huge loaf of Irish soda bread—ready to take home and bake. *All participants must bring with them a large bowl, mixing spoon, cookie tray, parchment paper & aluminum foil. Space is limited.*
-  **Louis Armstrong: King of Queens** – Thu., Feb. 27, 7:00–8:00 p.m. Join GRAMMY-winning author Ricky Riccardi as he explores Armstrong's legendary career, shares rare footage & tells the story of Louis and Lucille's life in Queens.
-  **Bingo!** – Fri., Feb. 28, 2:00–3:00 p.m. Join us for a relaxing afternoon of bingo & conversation with friends & neighbors.


**GAME DAY**

**Fridays, 10:00 a.m.–Noon**

We provide the space, tables & chairs. You bring your friends & a favorite board or card game to play. We also have 2 Mahjong sets available upon request (you must supply your own cards).

*In the Vincent R. O'Leary Community Room.*


*No registration required • In person*



The "Senior Bus" transports those who can no longer drive to the Library to take out materials & attend events.

**—1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month—**

For more info, call Rebecca at 631-941-4080.



You don't have to be a senior to attend these programs.

**Lucy Without Desi** – Wed., Jan. 15, 12:30–1:30 p.m. Join us as we explore the final chapter in the illustrious career of America's favorite redhead with pop culture historian Sal St. George. *Registration begins Mon., Dec. 16 at 9:30 a.m.*

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**WEDNESDAY FILMS AT NOON**

No registration—just show up!

**Feb. 19: *Jerry & Marge Go Large* (PG-13, 96 min.)**

## AARP SMART DRIVER COURSE

This 6-hour course for those aged 50 and up allows participants to receive a reduction of up to four points on their driver's license **OR** a 10% deduction on collision and liability auto insurance rates for a period of three years. Some insurance companies give both benefits. **Reservations may be made online, by phone or in person.** A valid Emma Clark library card is required to make an in-district reservation. **The instructor must be paid by check (made out to AARP) on the first day of the class.** Classes are \$30 (\$25 for AARP members).

**Tue., Jan. 7 & Wed., Jan. 8**

**Both Sessions: 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.**

*In-District Registration begins: Thu., Dec. 5*

*Out-of-District Registration begins: Mon., Dec. 30*

**Tue., Jan. 28 & Wed., Jan. 29**

**Both Sessions: 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.**

*In-District Registration begins: Thu., Dec. 19*


*Out-of-District Registration begins: Tue., Jan. 21*

**Wed., Feb. 26 & Thu., Feb. 27**

**Both Sessions: 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.**

*In-District Registration begins: Thu., Jan. 23*

*Out-of-District Registration begins: Wed., Feb. 19*



One-on-One  
Medicare Telephone  
Counseling

**Wed., Jan. 15 OR Feb. 19 from 10:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.**

**HIICAP: Health Insurance Info Counseling & Assistance Program**

To schedule an appointment with a HIICAP volunteer, call Rebecca at 631-941-4080 or email [rebecca@emmaclark.org](mailto:rebecca@emmaclark.org).



# ADULTS Continued...



Want to know what was **JUST ADDED** to our collection?  
 Visit [emmaclark.org](http://emmaclark.org) → Find It → New items. You can register to have weekly updates emailed to you!

## NEED TECH HELP?

**WEEKENDS TOO!**

Thu., Jan. 2 & Feb. 6, 20 • 6:00–8:00 p.m.  
 Sat., Jan. 18 & Feb. 15 • 10:00 a.m.–Noon  
 Sun., Jan. 5 & Feb. 9 • 2:00–4:00 p.m.



Local teens will be in our Technology Center to answer your simple tech questions & help you learn how to use your mobile devices, including cell phones, tablets & e-readers. **Appointments are required.**

Register at [emmaclark.org/programs](http://emmaclark.org/programs) or call 631-941-4080, ext. 127.

## Computer Skills, Technology & Online Learning

**JAN. IN-PERSON CLASSES:** Reg. begins Dec. 16 at 9:30 a.m. • **FEB. IN-PERSON CLASSES:** Reg. begins Jan. 6 at 9:30 a.m.  
**ONLINE CLASSES:** Registration is ONGOING

Register at [emmaclark.org/programs](http://emmaclark.org/programs).

-  **PC Clean Up** — Mon., Jan. 6, 6:30–8:30 p.m. Have a PC laptop? Bring it with you and learn how to clean and speed it up. If you don't have one, don't worry, you can use ours to learn. This class is specifically tailored for PCs and not applicable to Mac systems. Taught by Tech Librarian Jen Mullen. [Tech Center]
-  **Cricut: Tote Bag** — Tue., Jan. 7, 2:30–4:30 p.m. Learn how to use Cricut Design Space to create a greeting card for any occasion. Taught by Librarian Brieanne Kocka. *All supplies provided.* [Tech Center]
-  **Browser Bookmarks: Getting the Most Out of Your Web Browser** — Thu., Jan. 9, 6:30–8:30 p.m. Master your browser! Learn how to export/import bookmarks and history, manage passwords & bookmarks bar and more! Presented by Joseph Lodato, SBU Campus Lead for Navigate, Video & Tutorial Media Specialist.
-  **PC Clean Up** — Tue., Jan. 14, 10:00 a.m.–Noon Have a PC laptop? Bring it with you and learn how to clean and speed it up. If you don't have one, don't worry, you can use ours to learn. This class is specifically tailored for PCs and not applicable to Mac systems. Taught by Tech Librarian Jen Mullen. [Tech Center]
-  **Cricut: Kitchen Tea Towel** — Thu., Jan. 16, 6:00–8:00 p.m. Learn how to use Cricut Design Space to create a trendy kitchen tea towel to elevate your décor. Taught by Librarian Brieanne Kocka. *All supplies provided.* [Tech Center]
-  **Start Your Own YouTube Channel & Monetize It** — Thu., Jan. 23, 6:30–8:30 p.m. Want to share your creativity or expertise with the world? Learn how to create a YouTube channel in just a few easy steps. Presented by Joseph Lodato, SBU Campus Lead for Navigate, Video & Tutorial Media Specialist.
-  **Digital Dust: Protecting Your Privacy Online** — Mon., Jan. 27, 7:00–9:00 p.m. From social media and email, to online banking & the Dark Web, we'll provide an overview of changes you can make to provide a safer online experience. Taught by IT Manager Bob Johnson & Tech Librarian Jen Mullen.
-  **Introduction to Canva** — Tue., Jan. 28, 6:30–8:00 p.m. Learn how to create beautiful designs and professional graphics with Canva. Whether it is a photo editor, create picture collage, logo, invitation or poster, Canva makes online graphic design easy. Presented by Sharper Training Solutions.
-  **Cricut: T-Shirt** — Thu., Jan. 30, 6:00–8:00 p.m. In this beginner class, you will learn how to use the Cricut machine to create a customized T-shirt. **Please note: Each participant MUST bring ONE PLAIN WHITE COTTON T-SHIRT (LONG OR SHORT-SLEEVE) with them to design. All other materials will be provided.** Taught by Jacqueline Parente. [Tech Center]
-  **Cricut: Kitchen Tea Towel** — Tue., Feb. 4, 2:30–4:30 p.m. Learn how to use Cricut Design Space to create a trendy kitchen tea towel to elevate your décor. Taught by Librarian Brieanne Kocka. *All supplies provided.* [Tech Center]
-  **Streaming 101: Cutting the Cord** — Thu., Feb. 6, 6:30–8:30 p.m. Learn about Amazon's Fire Stick, Roku & Chromecast with Google TV, and find the best option for you. Taught by IT Manager Bob Johnson & Tech Librarian Jen Mullen. [Vincent R. O'Leary Community Room].
-  **Intro to Google Apps & Drive for Your Computer** — Mon., Feb. 10, 6:30–8:00 p.m. Learn how to create a Google account and how to use the following Google applications: Calendar, Maps, Photos, Google Drive & more. Presented by Sharper Training Solutions.
-  **Cricut: Coffee Mug** — Thu., Feb. 13, 6:00–8:00 p.m. Learn how to use Cricut Design Space & use infusible ink to create a personalized mug. Taught by Librarian Brieanne Kocka. *All supplies provided.* [Tech Center]
-  **Cricut: Gift Tags** — Tue., Feb. 18, 2:30–4:30 p.m. Learn how to use Cricut Design Space to create and decorate custom gift tags to add a personalized touch to your presents. Taught by Librarian Brieanne Kocka. *All supplies provided.* [Tech Center]
-  **Intro to Microsoft Excel** — Mon., Tue. & Thu., Feb. 24, 25 & 27, 10:00 a.m.–Noon (3-part class) Electronic spreadsheet program used for storing, organizing and manipulating data such as address lists and budgets. Must be able to attend all 3 sessions. Taught by Tech Librarian Jen Mullen. [Tech Center]

Prefer to learn on your own schedule or progress beyond the beginner level? Go to [emmaclark.org/You-Beyond](http://emmaclark.org/You-Beyond) for credible FREE online learning!

# Teens (7-12th graders)



= COMMUNITY SERVICE



= IN-PERSON



= TAKE & MAKE

Register at [emmaclark.org/programs](http://emmaclark.org/programs).  
A valid Emma Clark Library card is required  
except where otherwise noted.

**Location:**

- V= Vincent R. O'Leary Community Room
- T= Technology Center
- C= Children's Programming Room
- B= Board Room [Lower Level]

## January

Registration begins Tue., Dec. 10, at 9:30 a.m.

- ★● Take & Make: Farming Supplies for Hobbs Farm – Supply pickup Mon., Jan. 6 through Fri., Jan. 10  
Pick up supplies at the Lower Level Service Desk
- ★▲ Seed Packet Processing – Tue., Jan. 7, 6:00–7:00 p.m. [V]
- ★▲ Knit for a Cause [Gr. 5–12] – Wed., Jan. 8, 15 & 22, 5:30–6:30 p.m. [B]
- ▲ Kids on Bikes: Tabletop Roleplaying Game [Gr. 7–9] – Thu., Jan. 9, 23, Feb. 6, 20 & Mar. 6,  
5:30–8:30 p.m. [B] *Must be able to attend all 5 sessions, to keep a cohesive team.*
- ★▲ Cupcake Socks for People in Need – Fri., Jan. 10, 6:00–7:00 p.m. [V]
- ★▲ Tea Sachets for Newly Housed Individuals – Sat., Jan. 11, 1:00–2:00 p.m. [C]
- ▲ Bring Your Own Adult: Winter Bird on a Branch Painting [Gr. 6–12] – Sat., Jan. 11, 3:00–4:00 p.m. [C]
- ★▲ Seed Packet Processing – Tue., Jan. 14, 6:00–7:00 p.m. [V]
- ▲ Kids on Bikes: Tabletop Roleplaying Game [Gr. 10–12] – Thu., Jan. 16, 30, Feb. 13, 27 & Mar. 13,  
5:30–8:30 p.m. [B] *Must be able to attend all 5 sessions, to keep a cohesive team.*
- ★▲ Tick-Borne Diseases Awareness [For both Teens & Adults] – Thu., Jan. 16, 6:00–7:00 p.m. [V]
- ★▲ Warming Rice Socks for Shelter Pets – Fri., Jan. 17, 7:00–8:00 p.m. [V]
- ▲ Book & Movie Club: *Bridge to Terabithia* – Sun., Jan. 19, 1:30–4:30 p.m. [V]
- ★▲ Seed Packet Processing – Fri., Jan. 24, 6:00–7:00 p.m. [V]
- ▲ SAT vs. ACT: Which Test Should You Take? – Sat., Jan. 25, 3:00–4:00 p.m. [V]
- ★▲ Mindfulness Workshops w/ SBU Social Work Intern Stephanie: *Mindfulness 101* – Thu., Jan. 30, 5:00–6:00 p.m. [V]
- ★▲ Seed Packet Processing – Fri., Jan. 31, 6:00–7:00 p.m. [V]
- 📺 A Visit with Louisa May Alcott [For both Teens & Adults] – Fri., Jan. 31, 7:00–8:00 p.m. [ZOOM]

## February

Registration begins Tue., Jan. 14, at 9:30 a.m.

- ★▲ Pressed Flower Bookmarks – Sat., Feb. 1, 1:00–2:00 p.m. OR 2:30–3:30 p.m. [V]
- TEEN TAKEOVER: SUNDAY, FEB. 2 – REGISTER FOR ONE OR MORE! – [V]**

  - ★▲ Boo-Boo Bunnies for Babies in Need: 10:30–11:30 a.m.
  - ★▲ Teen Empowerment Workshop: Noon–2:00 p.m.
  - ▲ The Squeaker Olympics: 2:30–3:15 p.m.
  - ★▲ Pea Flakes for Shelter Rodents & Rabbits: 3:30–4:30 p.m.
- ★● Take & Make: Tie Dye Onesies for Babies in Need – Supply pickup Mon., Feb. 3 through Fri., Feb. 7  
Pick up supplies at the Lower Level Service Desk
  - ★▲ Seed Packet Processing – Tue., Feb. 4, 6:00–7:00 p.m. [V]
  - ★▲ Knit for a Cause [Gr. 5–12] – Wed., Feb. 5, 12 & 19, 5:30–6:30 p.m. [B]
  - ★▲ Craft Kits for Hospitalized Children – Fri., Feb. 7, 7:00–8:00 p.m. [V]
  - ★▲ Mindfulness Workshops w/ SBU Social Work Intern Stephanie: *Self-Motivation* – Thu., Feb. 13, 5:00–6:00 p.m. [V]
  - ★▲ Seed Packet Processing – Fri., Feb. 14, 6:00–7:00 p.m. [V]
  - ★▲ Resin Trinket Dishes for Newly Housed Individuals – Sun., Feb. 16, 1:00–2:00 p.m. [V]
  - ★▲ Volunteer at Hobbs Farm – Thu., Feb. 20 (school closed), 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. [Bethel Hobbs Farm, Centereach]
  - ★▲ Seed Packet Processing – Thu., Feb. 20, 6:00–7:00 p.m. [V]
  - ▲ Mario Kart Tournament – Fri., Feb. 21, 4:30–6:00 p.m. AND/OR Sun., Feb. 23, 3:00–4:30 p.m. [V]
  - ★▲ Introduction to Childcare – Fri., Feb. 21, 6:30–8:30 p.m. [V]
  - ▲ Book & Movie Club: *Eragon* – Sat., Feb. 22, 1:30–4:30 p.m. [V]
  - ★▲ Mindfulness Workshops w/ SBU Social Work Intern Stephanie: *Journaling* – Thu., Feb. 27, 5:00–6:00 p.m. [V]
  - ★▲ Handsewn Pillows for People in Need – Thu., Feb. 27 AND Fri., Feb. 28, 6:30–8:30 p.m. [V]  
*This project will take 2 sessions to complete; please make sure you are available for both.*

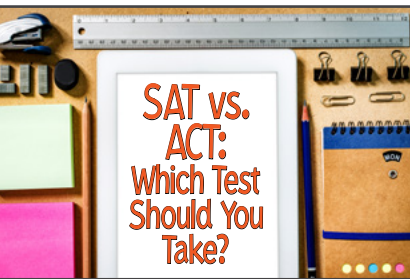
## TEEN TAKEOVER

REGISTER FOR ONE OR MORE!  
SUNDAY, FEB. 2

- ★ BOO-BOO BUNNIES FOR BABIES IN NEED  
10:30–11:30 A.M.
  - ★ TEEN EMPOWERMENT WORKSHOP  
NOON–2:00 P.M.
  - THE SQUEAKER OLYMPICS  
2:30–3:15 P.M.
  - ★ PEA FLAKES FOR SHELTER  
RODENTS & RABBITS  
3:30–4:30 P.M.
- REGISTER AT  
[EMMACLARK.ORG/PROGRAMS](http://EMMACLARK.ORG/PROGRAMS). LOCATION [V]

## Seed Packet Processing

Jan. 7, 14, 24, 31, Feb. 4, 14, & 20  
6:00–7:00 p.m.  
Register for one or ALL!  
Count, pack & label seed  
packets for our Seed Library.  
Register at  
[emmaclark.org/programs](http://emmaclark.org/programs).  
Location: [V]



Sat., Jan. 25 • 3:00–4:00 p.m.  
[Adults may attend w/ registered Teen]  
In this workshop, we'll look at both  
tests & discuss how to decide which is  
right for you & what impact these tests  
can have on admissions, scholarships,  
& class placement. Taught by a  
representative from C2 Education.  
Register at [emmaclark.org/programs](http://emmaclark.org/programs).  
Location: [V]

▲ **–Kids on Bikes–**  
**TABLETOP ROLEPLAYING GAME**

FOR GRADES 7–9  
Thu., Jan. 9 & 23,  
Feb. 6 & 20, Mar. 6,  
5:30–8:30 p.m.

FOR GRADES 10–12  
Thu., Jan. 16 & 30,  
Feb. 13 & 27, Mar. 13,  
5:30–8:30 p.m.

Join your friends for strange  
adventures in small towns!  
Must be able to attend all five  
sessions to keep a cohesive team.

To register, visit  
[emmaclark.org/programs](http://emmaclark.org/programs).  
Location [B]

**MARIO KART TOURNAMENT**

Fri., Feb. 21 • 4:30–6:00 p.m.  
Sun., Feb. 23 • 3:00–4:30 p.m.

Bring your friends & meet other gamers!  
Show off your skills on the Nintendo Switch during the multiplayer showdown!  
All equipment provided. Teens are welcome to bring their own wireless  
controllers if they prefer. Winning teens get thematic prizes! Snacks served.

Register at [emmaclark.org/programs](http://emmaclark.org/programs) • Location [V]



# Teens (7-12th graders) continued...

**TEENS... REMEMBER YOU HAVE TO BE IN IT TO WIN IT!**

The holiday break is a great time to work on your entry for the **HELEN STEIN SHACK PICTURE BOOK CONTEST**

Deadline is January 31, 2025. Go to [emmaclark.org/PictureBookAward](http://emmaclark.org/PictureBookAward) for more info.



**Teen 100 BOOKS CHALLENGE**

Join this challenge, to read 100 books before you graduate high school!

Registrants will get a tote bag and free book to start the challenge. Read any book you want and earn small prizes along the way. When you reach 100 books, you'll get a certificate and personalized gift!

Challenge is open all year-round: start anytime you want!

Get all the details by visiting [teen.emmaclark.org/100Books](http://teen.emmaclark.org/100Books).



**2025 Winter Reading Challenge**


Registration begins on Mon., Jan. 13 and is ongoing through Sun., Mar. 2. To get started, visit [teen.emmaclark.org/winter-reading-challenge](http://teen.emmaclark.org/winter-reading-challenge).

**3 REASONS TO JOIN**

- #1. Read any books you want!
- #2. Enter to win tickets to The Rinx Ice Skating!
- #3. You may "double log" your reading...enter the same book for both Winter Reading & the Teen 100 Books Challenge & earn credit for both challenges!

*Emma Clark employees, trustees & members of their household are not eligible to enter raffles.*

\*\*\*Special thank you to The Rinx for their continued support of our reading challenges.\*\*\*




**VOLUNTEER** ★ ▲  
**AT HOBBS FARM**  
 (BETHEL HOBBS FARM, CENTEREACH)  
 Thu., Feb. 20 • 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.


This volunteer-run farm provides fresh, wholesome produce to local food pantries and soup kitchens. Teens will be planting seeds in the farm's greenhouse. Please dress for a mess & bring gardening gloves if you so desire. All teens must be accompanied by a supervising adult age 18 years or older. Teens must complete the Library Teen Volunteering in the Community application & Parental Consent form before volunteering: [teen.emmaclark.org/Library-Teen-Volunteering](http://teen.emmaclark.org/Library-Teen-Volunteering). Registration is ongoing.

**MINDFULNESS WORKSHOPS WITH SBU SOCIAL WORK INTERN**

Attend one or all!  
 Thu., Jan. 30, Feb. 13 AND/OR Feb. 27 • 5:00–6:00 p.m.

Learn and discuss the importance of mindfulness and being in tune with one's emotions & self with the Library's Social Work Intern from Stony Brook University, Stephanie Szabo. Using the activities performed during these workshops, master mindfulness in stressful spots. Earn 1 hour of community service credit upon completion of each class.

For more information and to register visit [teen.emmaclark.org/Library-SWI-Programs](http://teen.emmaclark.org/Library-SWI-Programs).

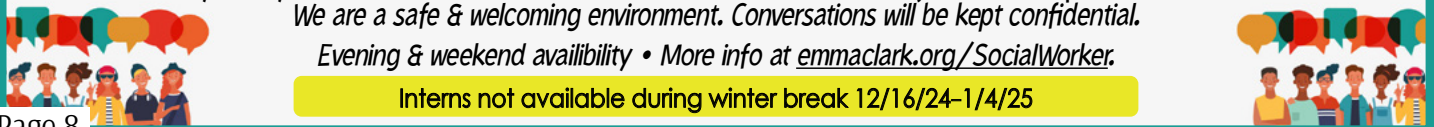


**Social Work Interns from SBU to Answer Your Questions— 3 Days a Week at the Library**

We have social work interns from Stony Brook University at the Library to help you with any questions you may have such as mental health & substance abuse assistance, job search help & much more! We are a safe & welcoming environment. Conversations will be kept confidential.

Evening & weekend availability • More info at [emmaclark.org/SocialWorker](http://emmaclark.org/SocialWorker).

Interns not available during winter break 12/16/24–1/4/25





# CHILDREN (BABIES THROUGH 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS)

## PROGRAM QUICK FACTS

- ★ Register your child based on their grade/age.
- ★ Registration begins when the Library opens, on the date noted.
- ★ Register online ([kids.emmaclark.org](http://kids.emmaclark.org)), by phone (631-941-4080, ext. 123), or in person.
- ★ Please have your child's library card available.
- ★ Please give us a call if your child is unable to attend or is going to be late (so we can hold their spot for them).

- ★ After 5 minutes of the program start time, ALL unclaimed spots will be given to children on the "Standby List".
- ★ The "Standby List" will open 30 minutes prior to each class at the Children's Reference Desk.
- ★ Children on the "Waiting List" do not have priority over the "Standby List".

Parents and caregivers must attend some programs with their child. If not, parents and caregivers must remain inside the Children's Library. Library policy dictates that children under the age of 11 years cannot be left unattended.



## ONGOING PROGRAMS

### TIME FOR BABY

**Newborn-15 mos. w/ parent or caregiver**  
10:00-10:30 a.m.  
We'll learn songs, rhymes & finger plays.  
**16-24 mos. w/ parent or caregiver**  
11:00-11:30 a.m.  
There'll be music, dancing & games.  
**Fri., Jan. 10 & 24**      **Fri., Feb. 7 & 28**  
Reg. begins Dec. 27      Reg. begins Jan. 24

### PARENT-TODDLER WORKSHOP

**Ages 18 mos.-3½ yrs. w/ parent or caregiver**  
Wednesdays OR Thursdays  
9:30-10:30 a.m. OR 11:00 a.m.-Noon  
Experience sharing, group participation & play.  
**Wednesdays, Jan. 15, 22, 29 & Feb. 5**  
**Thursdays, Jan. 16, 23, 30 & Feb. 6**  
Reg. begins Dec. 31

### TOT STORY TIME

**Ages 2-3 yrs. w/ parent/caregiver**  
Mondays OR Tuesdays  
10:30-11:00 a.m.  
Themed activities you both can enjoy.  
**Mondays, Jan. 13, 27, & Feb. 3**  
**Tuesdays, Jan. 14, 21, 28, & Feb. 4**  
Reg. begins Dec. 30

### PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

**Ages 3½-5 yrs.**  
Tuesdays, 1:15-1:45 p.m.  
Have fun & meet new friends!  
**Tuesdays, Jan. 14, 21, 28, & Feb. 4**  
Reg. begins Dec. 31



### AFTER-SCHOOL STORY TIME

**Grades K-2**  
**Mondays, 4:45-5:30 p.m.**  
Escape after school with a good book.  
**Mondays, Jan. 13, 27, & Feb. 3**  
Reg. begins Dec. 30

### "STRETCH" YOUR IMAGINATION

**Ages 3½-5 yrs.**  
Imaginative play through movement & storytelling.

**Fri., Jan. 3, 3:45-4:30 p.m.**  
Reg. begins Dec. 20

**AND/OR**  
**Tue., Jan. 21, 3:45-4:30 p.m.**  
Reg. begins Jan. 7

**AND/OR**  
**Mon., Feb. 10, 4:00-4:45 p.m.**  
Reg. begins Jan. 27

**AND/OR**  
**Thu., Feb. 27, 3:30-4:15 p.m.**  
Reg. begins Feb. 13



## CRAFTS R FUN

**Grades K-6, 5:30-6:15 p.m.**  
Make a new & unique craft at each session!  
**Snowflake Salt Painting**  
**Wed., Jan. 8**  
Reg. begins Dec. 26  
**Origami Dog**  
**Wed., Jan. 22**  
Reg. begins Jan. 8  
**Valentine Gift Pouches**  
**Wed., Feb. 12**  
Reg. begins Jan. 29  
**Paper Plate Dream Catchers**  
**Wed., Feb. 26**  
Reg. begins Feb. 12

### LEGO CLUB

**Grades K-6**  
**Fri., Jan. 17**      **Fri., Feb. 21**  
**6:30-7:30 p.m.**      **6:30-7:30 p.m.**  
Reg. begins Jan. 3      Reg. begins Feb. 7



### BARK

**Thursdays, 4:30-6:45 p.m.**  
**Early readers up to Grade 6. All skill levels welcome!** Would you like to improve your reading skills? Come to the library & read stories to a trained therapy dog. You can register in person or by phone at 631-941-4080, ext. 123.  
**Jan. 9 • Jan. 30 • Feb. 13 • Feb. 27**

## JANUARY PROGRAMS

### STORY TIME WITH THE SNOW QUEEN

**Ages 3-8**  
**Sat., Jan. 4, 11:00 a.m.-Noon**  
Enjoy a magical story time with *Timeless Tales*.  
Reg. begins Dec. 21

### BABY START STORY TIME

**Babies-24 mos. w/ parent or caregiver,**  
**Mon., Jan. 6, 9:45-10:15 a.m.**  
Join A Time for Kids, Inc. in this exciting program! Reg. begins Dec. 23

### A TIME FOR KIDS

**Ages 2-5 yrs. w/ parent or caregiver**  
**Mon., Jan. 6, 10:30-11:15 a.m.**  
Have fun in this family preschool program.  
Reg. begins Dec. 23

### NURSERY RHYME SING-ALONG

**Babies-5 yrs. w/ parent or caregiver,**  
**Thu., Jan. 9, 10:30-11:00 a.m.**  
Join Meghan as she plays your favorite nursery rhymes & children's songs.  
Reg. begins Dec. 26



### COOKING DEMO WITH CHEF ROB DELL'AMORE: PASTA W/ CHICKEN & VEGGIES

For families with children in Grades K-6  
**Fri., Jan. 10, 6:30-7:30 p.m.**  
Reg. begins Dec. 27



## JUNIOR ROCKETRY CLUB

**Grades 3-6**  
**Sat., Jan. 11, 10:30 a.m.-Noon**  
Experience rocketry with The Stony Brook School's Rocketry Club! Learn about & launch your own paper rocket. Then see a real outdoor rocket launch. Reg. begins Dec. 28



## PRESCHOOL FAIR

*Find the perfect fit for your child!*

**Saturday, Jan. 11 • 2:00 -4:00 p.m.**  
Explore local preschools in one room.  
Visit [emmaclark.org/PreschoolFair](http://emmaclark.org/PreschoolFair) for an updated list of schools attending.

\* No registration required & all are welcome.  
Location: Vincent R. O'Leary Community Room

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### STEM STORY TIME

**Grades K-2**  
**Tue., Jan. 14, 4:45-5:30 p.m.**  
Hear frosty tales and then make an igloo fit for a yeti! Reg. begins Dec. 31

## Frosty Floral Centerpieces

**Grades 3-6**  
**Wed., Jan. 15 • 4:30-5:15 p.m.**  
Make a fun vase to brighten up your room this winter!  
Reg. begins Jan. 2

### BABY BOOGIE

**Babies-17 mos. w/ parent/caregiver**  
**Fri., Jan. 17, 10:00-10:45 a.m.**  
Sing & play along with Nicole Sparling.  
Reg. begins Jan. 3



### TODDLER TANGO

**18 mos.-4 yrs. w/ parent/caregiver**  
**Fri., Jan. 17, 11:00-11:45 a.m.**  
High energy music & movement with Nicole Sparling. Reg. begins Jan. 3

# CHILDREN (BABIES THROUGH 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS CONTINUED...)

## DRAMA WITH YOUR MAMA

Ages 2-5 yrs. w/ parent/caregiver  
**Sat., Jan. 18, 10:30-11:15 a.m.**  
 Musical theater class that focuses on building confidence, enhancing communication skills & more. *Reg. begins Jan. 4*

## SEW A PLUSHIE

Grades 4-6  
**Sat., Jan. 18 AND Sun., Jan. 19**  
 2:00-3:30 p.m.

Have fun hand-sewing your own plushie while learning a practical skill with the Long Island Youth Development Art Club! **Must attend both sessions.**  
*Reg. begins Jan. 4*

## SQUISHY CIRCUITS: BUILD A FIRE TRUCK

Grades 3-6  
**Tue., Jan. 28, 4:45-5:15 p.m.**  
 Get creative & learn about circuits in this fun STEM program! *Reg. begins Jan. 14*

## NO OVEN NEEDED: YEAR OF THE SNAKE PARFAITS

Grades K-6 (School closed)  
**Wed., Jan. 29, 3:00-3:45 p.m.**  
 Celebrate Lunar New Year by layering a delightful parfait! *Reg. begins Jan. 15*

## PERLER PALOOZA

Grades K-6 w/ parent/caregiver  
**Fri., Jan. 31, 4:30-6:00 p.m.**  
 Grab a template or let your imagination run wild to create a fuse bead project of your choice. *No need to register, just come into the Library.*

## BABY BOOGIE

Babies-17 mos. w/ parent/caregiver  
**Wed., Feb. 12, 10:00-10:45 a.m.**  
 Sing & play along with Nicole Sparling.  
*Reg. begins Jan. 29*

## TODDLER TANGO

18 mos.-4 yrs. w/ parent/caregiver  
**Wed., Feb. 12, 11:00-11:45 a.m.**  
 High energy music & movement with Nicole Sparling. *Reg. begins Jan. 29*

## DESSERTS WITH CHEF ROB: VALENTINE'S DAY TRIFLE

Grades K-6  
**Fri., Feb. 14, 5:30-6:00 p.m. OR 6:00-6:30 p.m.**  
 Create a trifle with strawberries, bananas, whipped cream, cake & chocolate pudding!  
*Reg. begins Jan. 31*

Check out all winter recess programs on page 11!

## DROP-IN CRAFTS

**Sat., Feb. 15**  
 10:00 a.m.-Noon • Ages 3-12 yrs.  
 (Supervision may be needed)  
 No need to pre-register, just come into the Library & create a work of art with recycled materials!

## SEW A PLUSHIE

Grades 4-6  
**Sat., Feb. 15 AND Sun., Feb. 16**  
 2:00-3:30 p.m.

Have fun hand-sewing your own plushie while learning a practical skill with the Long Island Youth Development Art Club! **Must attend both sessions.**  
*Reg. begins Feb. 1*

## Owls "Chilling" Out Decoration

Grades 3-6  
**Mon., Feb. 24**  
 4:30-5:30 p.m.  
 Make an adorable decoration to spread some winter cheer!  
*Reg. begins Feb. 10*

## NURSERY RHYME SING-ALONG

Babies-5 yrs. w/ parent/caregiver  
**Tue., Feb. 25, 10:30-11:00 a.m.**  
 Meghan will play your favorite nursery rhymes and children's songs while encouraging word & sound development & communication skills.  
*Reg. begins Feb. 11*

## Paint a Penguin

Grades 2-6  
**Thu., Jan. 23**  
 4:30-5:30 p.m.  
 Draw & paint an adorable penguin with Art Teacher Amy!  
*Reg. begins Jan. 9*

## FAMILY CRAFT NIGHT! SEASHELL HEART

Families w/ children in Grades K-6  
**Fri., Jan. 31 • 6:30-7:30 p.m.**  
 Feel the love as your family creates a memento of a special night spent together. Presented by Anna Chan.  
*Reg. begins Jan. 17*

## FEBRUARY PROGRAMS

### DYNAMIC KIDS: OCEAN

Ages 4-7 yrs.  
**Sat., Feb. 1, 10:30-11:30 a.m.**  
 It's always fun to go to the beach in the midst of winter! Let's take a dip in the chilly ocean water. Swim with whales, dolphins & of course, some friendly sharks! No bathing suits required...But please NO SNOW BOOTS!  
*Reg. begins Jan. 18*

### NEWSPAPER VILLAGE

Ages 3-12 yrs. w/ parent/caregiver  
**Thu., Feb. 6, 4:30-6:00 p.m.**  
 Stop by the library & use recycled newspaper to make a wintry scene. *No need to register, just come into the Library.*

### SUPER BOWL SATURDAY

Grades K-6,  
**Sat., Feb. 8, 2:00-4:00 p.m.**  
 Enjoy some of our football festivities. Enter a raffle to win a special prize. Wear your favorite team's jersey, if you'd like.  
*No registration required, just come in!*

### ROBOT CHALLENGE

Grades 2-6,  
**Tue., Feb. 11, 4:45-5:45 p.m.**  
 Construct a contraption that enables Dash Robot to accomplish a tricky task.  
*Reg. begins Jan. 28*

## Zoom Parenting Class: Supporting Your Anxious Child

•For Parents•  
**Fri., Jan. 24,**  
 6:30-8:00 p.m.  
 Learn techniques to help your child deal with anxiety. Led by *Authentically Parenting.*  
*Reg. begins Jan. 10*

## Teddy Bear Clinic

Grades K-2  
**Sat., Jan. 25**  
 10:30-11:15 a.m.  
 Learn about essential safety topics through engaging, interactive activities. Then, dress up as medical staff & "treat" your own stuffed animals (bring one from home).  
 Sponsored by Stony Brook Children's Hospital.  
*Reg. begins Jan. 11*





**BORED?  
CHECK OUT  
WHAT'S GOING ON  
AT THE LIBRARY  
DURING RECESS!**

**WINTER  
RECESS  
PROGRAMS  
FEBRUARY 15-  
FEBRUARY 22**

**SAT., FEB 15**

**DROP-IN CRAFTS**  
Ages 3-12 yrs. w/  
parent or caregiver  
10:00 a.m.-Noon  
Drop by the Library  
to get creative with  
upcycled materials.  
*No registration  
required.*

**SEW-A-PLUSHIE**  
Grades 4-6  
Sat., Feb. 15 AND  
Sun., Feb. 16  
2:00-3:30 p.m.  
Hand-sew your own  
plushie with the  
*Long Island Youth  
Development Art Club.*  
Must attend both  
sessions.  
*Reg. begins Feb. 1*

**Tue., FEB 18**

**MELTING SNOWMAN**  
Grades K-6  
11:00-11:45 a.m.  
Make a snowman  
craft with a twist.  
*Reg. begins Feb. 4*

**CHESS CLUB**  
Grades 2-6  
3:30-4:30 p.m.  
Play chess with L.I.  
*Chess Nuts.*  
All levels welcome!  
*Reg. begins Feb. 4*



**Wed., FEB 19**

**LIL ATHLETES  
SPORTS SAMPLER**  
Ages 3-5 w/  
parent or caregiver  
10:00-10:45 a.m.  
Grades K-2  
11:00-11:45 a.m.  
Get moving & learn  
the ABCs of sports.  
*Reg. begins Feb. 5*

**CARDS FOR  
HOSPITALIZED KIDS**  
Grades 3-6  
4:00-5:00 p.m.  
Make uplifting  
cards for hospitalized  
kids. *Earn one hour of  
community service.*  
*Reg. begins Feb. 5*

**THU., FEB 20**

**BABY START  
STORY TIME**  
Babies-24 mos. w/  
parent or caregiver  
9:45-10:15 a.m.  
Have fun with  
*A Time for Kids, Inc.*  
*Reg. begins Feb. 6*

**A TIME FOR KIDS**  
Ages 2-5 w/  
parent or caregiver  
10:30-11:15 a.m.  
Family preschool  
program.  
*Reg. begins Feb. 6*  
**MINECRAFT**  
Grades 2-6  
3:00-4:00 p.m.  
*Reg. begins Feb. 6*  
Location: Tech Center  
on Lower Level

**FRI., FEB 21**

**THE TEDDY  
BEAR CLINIC**  
Grades K-2  
10:30-11:15 a.m.  
Bring your stuffed  
animal & learn  
essential safety  
topics. Sponsored  
by SB Children's  
Hospital.  
*Reg. begins Feb. 7*

**YOUNG POETS**  
Grades 2-6  
2:30-3:15 p.m.  
Create a poem with  
Sarah Goodman,  
Teen Poet Laureate.  
*Reg. begins Feb. 7*



**SAT., FEB 22**

**WINTERFEST**  
Fun for the  
whole family!  
10:00 a.m.-Noon  
Stop by the library  
for some frosty  
fun with games,  
crafts & contests!  
*No registration  
required.*

2025 Children's  
**Winter Reading Challenge**  
Babies-6<sup>th</sup> grade

Starting Monday, Jan. 13, sign up with Beanstack, an online reading tool that is also an app (Beanstack Tracker). Go to [kids.emmaclark.org](https://kids.emmaclark.org), click on "Winter Reading Challenge" and follow the instructions, or call us at 631-941-4080, ext. 123.

There will be 3 different Reading Programs based on your child's reading ability:

- **Pre-Readers** → for children that have books read to them. Your goal will be to read at least **10 books** with your grownup.
- **New Readers** → for children that are just starting or have only recently begun to read by themselves. Your goal will be to read at least **5 books** on your reading level.
- **Confident Readers** → for children that read on their own. Your goal will be to read at least **2 books** on your reading level.

Mon., Jan. 13-Sun., Mar. 2  
**ARE YOU YETI  
TO READ?**



When your child has completed their goal, they will earn an electronic raffle ticket for a chance to win the special Yeti prize (a plush Yeti, a Yeti game & tickets to the Rinx).

Beginning Monday, Feb. 10, all kids who reach their goal can come into the Library to pick up their prize bag and reading certificate.

Emma Clark employees, trustees & members of their household are not eligible to enter raffles.

\*\*\*Special thank you to The Rinx for their continued support of our reading challenges.\*\*\*

# CHILDREN (BABIES THROUGH 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS CONTINUED...)



Please be aware that...

Parents MAY NOT LEAVE THEIR CHILDREN UNATTENDED in the Children's Library.  
Parents MUST STAY IN THE CHILDREN'S LIBRARY while their child is in a program.

## CHECK IT OUT... TEEN PROGRAMS FOR TWEENS TOO!

### KNIT FOR A CAUSE [5-12 GRADERS]

WED., JAN. 8, 15 & 22  
(REG. STARTS 12/10 @9:30 A.M.)  
5:30-6:30 P.M.

AND/OR

WED., FEB. 5, 12 & 19  
(REG. STARTS 1/14 @9:30 A.M.)  
5:30-6:30 P.M.

LOCATION: BOARD ROOM ON LOWER LEVEL

### BRING YOUR OWN ADULT: WINTER BIRD ON A BRANCH PAINTING [6-12 GRADERS]

SAT. JAN. 11 • 3:00-4:00 P.M.  
(REG. STARTS 12/10 @9:30 A.M.)  
LOCATION: CHILDREN'S  
PROGRAMMING ROOM

REGISTER AT  
[EMMCLARK.ORG/PROGRAMS](http://EMMCLARK.ORG/PROGRAMS).

## Can't make it into the library?

We have reputable online sources  
for school reports.



**World Book Kids:** Contains thousands of articles with illustrations, videos interactive maps, research help & activities.



**Culture Grams:** Up-to-date reports on more than 200 countries, each U.S. state. Includes a Kids' Edition.



**Encyclopedia Britannica:** Articles, multimedia & other unique resources. We have the school version (Elem, JH & HS), academic version (college) & a Spanish-language version.



**National Geographic Kids:** Adventures in science, nature, culture, archaeology & space.



**Biography Reference Bank:** A great tool for researching famous & important people.



Visit [emmaclark.org/OnlineResearch](http://emmaclark.org/OnlineResearch).

## COMMUNITY SERVICE FROM HOME

-For school-aged children -

Visit [kids.emmaclark.org/Volunteer-From-Home](http://kids.emmaclark.org/Volunteer-From-Home).

♥ Color a Smile ♥ Book Reviews ♥ Letters to our Troops



## • LOBBY DISPLAY •

JANUARY

Lunar New Year of the Snake by Asian American Association of Greater Stony Brook

FEBRUARY

Daughters of the American Revolution

## JANUARY/ FEBRUARY DISPLAYS at the Library

## • ART DISPLAY •

JANUARY

Measuring Time:  
The Buildings of the Former Kings Park Psychiatric Center  
by Jon Rosner

FEBRUARY

Icons in Acrylic:  
Bringing Legends to Life  
by Laura Dwork

## Important Information...

When Library hours are changed due to inclement weather or an emergency, information can be found through:

- Online: [emmaclark.org](http://emmaclark.org)
- Facebook: [@EmmaClarkLibrary](https://www.facebook.com/EmmaClarkLibrary)
- Instagram: [@EmmaClarkLibrary](https://www.instagram.com/EmmaClarkLibrary)

If uncertain, visit [emmaclark.org](http://emmaclark.org) before you make the trip. When the Library is closed or has a delayed opening, an extra day will automatically be added to the loan period for all items due that day.

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